

Labor Market Review

Statistical data report for February 2011, Released April 2011.

Economic Growth Region 1

Regional and State Unemployment (seasonally adjusted)

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in February. Twenty-seven states and the District of Columbia recorded unemployment rate decreases, seven states registered rate increases, and 16 states had no change, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Forty-one states and the District of Columbia posted unemployment rate decreases from a year earlier, seven states reported increases, and two states had no change. The national jobless rate was 8.9 percent in February, little changed from January but 0.8 percentage point lower than a year earlier.

Regional and State Unemployment

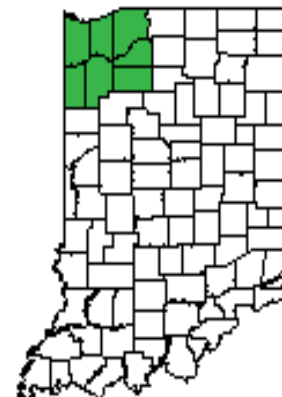
Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted), February 2011

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Feb 2011 Rate	Jan 2011 Rate	Feb 2010 Rate
U.S.	152,635,000	138,093,000	14,542,000	9.5%	9.8%	10.4%
IN	3,083,282	2,794,942	288,340	9.4%	9.5%	11.6%
Gary Metro Div	314,971	284,200	30,771	9.8%	9.9%	11.8%
MichCity-LaP MSA	49,903	44,327	5,576	11.2%	11.3%	14.3%
EGR 1	381,834	343,678	38,156	10.0%	10.1%	12.2%
Lake County	213,740	192,311	21,429	10.0%	10.3%	12.1%
Porter County	79,479	72,693	6,786	8.5%	8.7%	10.6%
LaPorte County	49,903	44,327	5,576	11.2%	11.3%	14.3%
Newton County	6,610	5,779	831	12.6%	11.4%	14.4%
Jasper County	15,141	13,416	1,725	11.4%	10.9%	13.2%
Starke County	10,310	9,054	1,256	12.2%	12.1%	15.4%
Pulaski County	6,651	6,098	553	8.3%	8.6%	11.0%
Gary	32,557	29,195	3,362	10.3%	10.6%	12.3%
Hammond	31,120	27,838	3,282	10.5%	11.0%	13.7%
East Chicago	9,609	8,392	1,217	12.7%	13.5%	14.7%
Hobart	13,340	11,754	1,586	11.9%	11.7%	14.2%
Merrillville	16,083	14,597	1,486	9.2%	9.8%	10.4%
Michigan City	13,640	12,068	1,572	11.5%	12.1%	14.4%
Portage	17,638	15,844	1,794	10.2%	10.3%	11.9%
Schererville	14,880	13,718	1,162	7.8%	8.1%	9.5%
Valparaiso	14,840	13,682	1,158	7.8%	8.0%	9.7%
Crown Point	11,290	10,050	1,240	11.0%	10.6%	10.9%
LaPorte City	9,867	8,739	1,128	11.4%	11.1%	13.9%

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Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Economic Growth Region (EGR) 1 includes Lake, Porter, LaPorte, Newton, Jasper, Starke and Pulaski Counties.



U.S., Indiana, and Surrounding States Unemployment, Feb. 2011 (Seasonally Adjusted)

State	Rate
U.S.	8.9%
Illinois	8.9%
Indiana	8.8%
Kentucky	10.4%
Michigan	10.4%
Ohio	9.2%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unemployment Rate Ranking (High to Low)

Rank Feb 2011	County	Rate Feb 2011
4	Newton	12.6%
8	Starke	12.2%
21	Jasper	11.4%
22	Laporte	11.2%
45	Lake	10.0%
71	Porter	8.5%
74	Pulaski	8.3%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to February 2011 from:

CPI Item	Feb 10	Jan 11	Feb 10	Jan 11
	<i>Midwest Region*</i>		<i>U.S. City</i>	
All Items	2.2%	0.3%	2.1%	0.5%
Food & Beverages	2.1%	0.2%	2.2%	0.4%
Housing	0.5%	0.2%	0.7%	0.2%
Apparel	-1.4%	0.5%	-0.4%	1.5%
Transportation	7.4%	0.8%	7.1%	1.1%
Medical Care	3.1%	0.9%	2.9%	0.8%
Recreation	0.4%	-0.2%	-0.1%	0.5%
Education & Communication	1.6%	-0.1%	1.2%	0.0%
Other Goods & Services	1.8%	0.1%	2.0%	0.2%

Note: CPI-U- Consumer Price Index-Urban

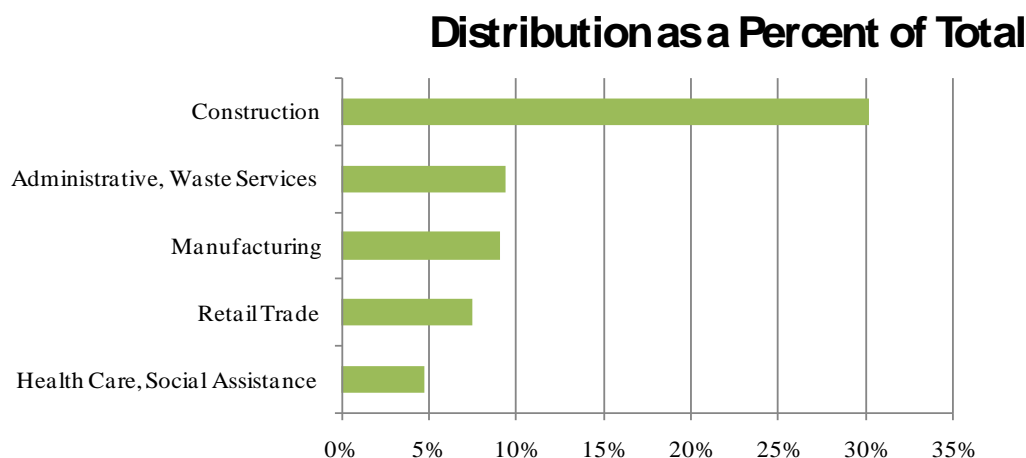
*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unemployment Claims for Region 1

Week End >>	2/5/2011	2/12/2011	2/19/2011	2/26/2011
Initial Claims				
Region 1	663	733	655	650
Indiana	5,645	6,555	4,798	4,595
Continued Claims				
Region 1	10,264	10,376	10,066	9,613
Indiana	83,514	84,416	82,627	79,465
Total Claims				
Region 1	10,927	11,109	10,721	10,263
Indiana	89,159	90,971	87,425	84,060

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

Percentage of Unemployment Claims for Top Five Industries in EGR 1, February 2011



Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, UI Statistics

WARN Notices for Region 1, February 2011

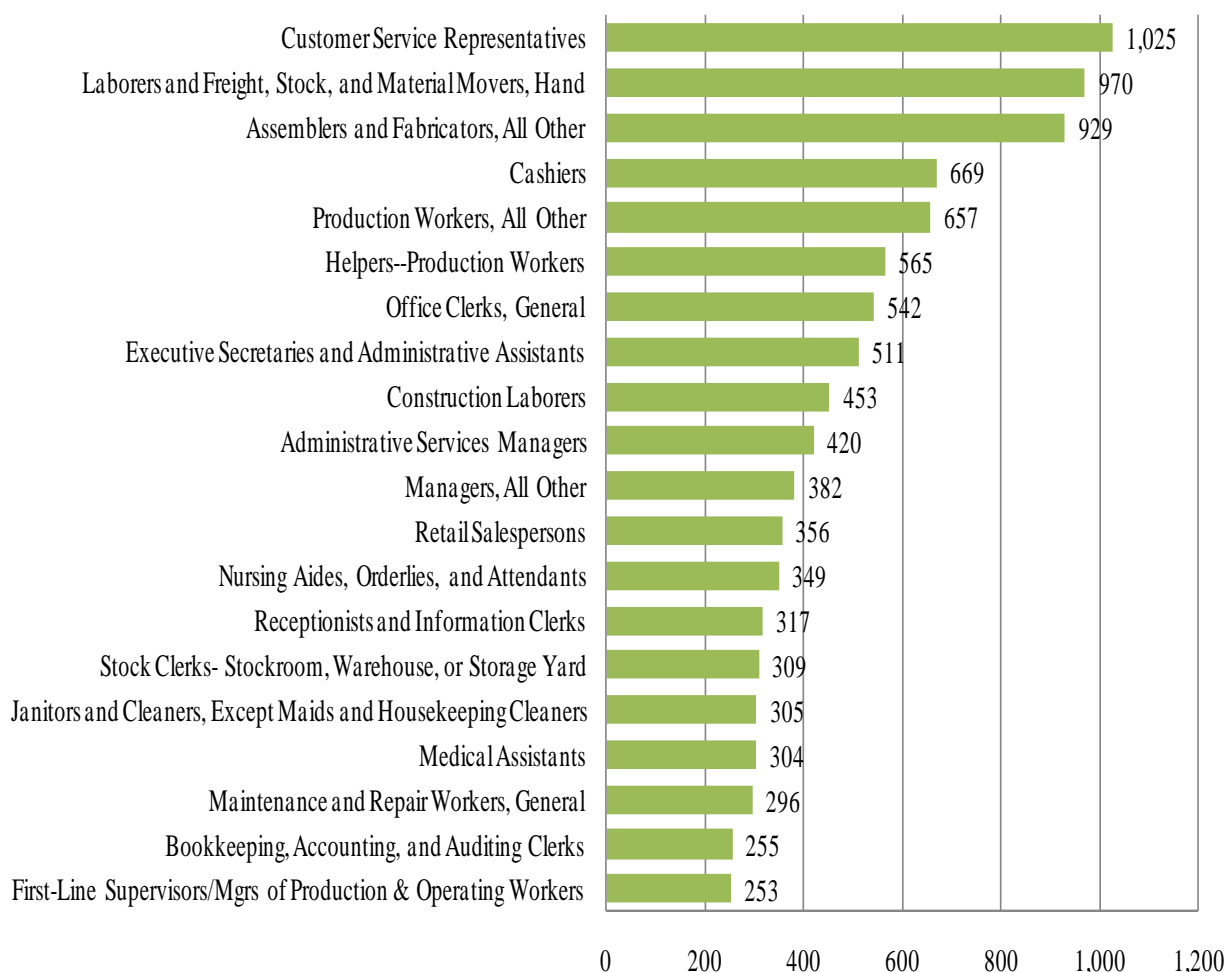
Company	City	County	Affected Workers	Notice Date

There were no WARN notices for Region 1 for February 2011.

Source: Hoosiers by the Numbers WARN Notices, Indiana Workforce Development, February 2011.
For additional information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor
Employment and Training Administration Fact Sheet at
<http://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>.

Applicant Pool: Top Twenty Occupations Desired by Active Applicants on their Resumes in the Past Twelve Months

Region 1 Applicant Pool



Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect Database

Wage and Salaried Employment, February 2011

				Number Change	Percent Change	Number Change	Percent Change
Industry	Feb 2011	Jan 2011	Feb 2010	01/11-02/11	01/11-02/11	02/10-02/11	02/10-02/11
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	256,800	256,100	256,000	700	0.3%	800	0.3%
Total Private Employment	219,100	219,100	217,700	0	0.0%	1,400	0.6%
GOODS PRODUCING	48,700	48,400	47,400	300	0.6%	1,300	2.7%
---Mining & Logging	300	300	200	0	0.0%	100	50.0%
---Construction	15,300	14,800	13,700	500	3.4%	1,600	11.7%
---Manufacturing	33,100	33,300	33,500	-200	-0.6%	-400	-1.2%
Durable Goods	25,600	25,700	25,700	-100	-0.4%	-100	-0.4%
Primary Metal Mfg	17,000	16,800	17,300	200	1.2%	-300	-1.7%
Iron and Steel Mills	15,000	15,100	15,900	-100	-0.7%	-900	-5.7%
SERVICE PROVIDING	208,100	207,700	208,600	400	0.2%	-500	-0.2%
Private Service Providing	170,400	170,700	170,300	-300	-0.2%	100	0.1%
---Trade, Transp, & Utilities	52,800	53,400	53,100	-600	-1.1%	-300	-0.6%
Wholesale Trade	8,600	8,600	8,700	0	0.0%	-100	-1.2%
Retail Trade	31,100	31,700	31,400	-600	-1.9%	-300	-1.0%
Gen Merch Stores	5,800	6,400	6,300	-600	-9.4%	-500	-7.9%
Other Gen Merch Stores	3,100	3,200	3,200	-100	-3.1%	-100	-3.1%
Transp/Warehousing/Utils	13,100	13,100	13,000	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
---Information	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.0%	-100	-4.6%
---Financial Activities	8,400	8,400	8,700	0	0.0%	-300	-3.5%
---Professional & Business	19,900	19,900	19,100	0	0.0%	800	4.2%
Employment Services	2,800	2,800	2,300	0	0.0%	500	21.7%
---Educational & Health	47,200	47,000	46,400	200	0.4%	800	1.7%
Educational Services	7,500	7,300	7,200	200	2.7%	300	4.2%
Health Care/Social Assist.	39,700	39,700	39,200	0	0.0%	500	1.3%
Med/Surgical Hospitals	12,900	12,900	13,000	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
---Leisure & Hospitality	28,300	28,200	29,000	100	0.4%	-700	-2.4%
Arts/Entertnmt/Recn	6,300	6,300	6,800	0	0.0%	-500	-7.4%
Food Svcs/Drinkg Plcs	20,600	20,500	20,800	100	0.5%	-200	-1.0%
---Other Services	11,700	11,700	11,800	0	0.0%	-100	-0.9%
Government	37,700	37,000	38,300	700	1.9%	-600	-1.6%
---Federal Government	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---State Government	4,600	4,300	4,500	300	7.0%	100	2.2%
State Govt Educ Svcs	3,400	3,100	3,200	300	9.7%	200	6.3%
State Govt excluding Educ Svcs	1,200	1,200	1,400	0	0.0%	-200	-14.3%
---Local Government	31,100	30,700	31,800	400	1.3%	-700	-2.2%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	18,600	18,300	19,200	300	1.6%	-600	-3.1%
Local Govt excluding Educ Svcs	12,500	12,500	12,600	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
---Total State & Local Government	35,700	35,000	36,300	700	2.0%	-600	-1.7%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

Michigan City-LaPorte MSA

The Michigan City-LaPorte
MSA is equivalent to all of
LaPorte County, Indiana

Wage and Salaried Employment, February 2011

				Jan 11 to Feb 11		Feb 10 to Feb 11	
Industry	Feb 11	Jan 11	Feb 10	Change	Percent Change	Change	Percent Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	41,800	41,800	40,900	0	0.0%	900	2.2%
Total Private Employment	34,800	34,900	33,500	-100	-0.3%	1,300	3.9%
GOODS PRODUCING	9,000	9,100	8,500	-100	-1.1%	500	5.9%
---Mining, Logging, Construction	1,700	1,700	1,500	0	0.0%	200	13.3%
---Manufacturing	7,300	7,400	7,000	-100	-1.4%	300	4.3%
SERVICE PROVIDING	32,800	32,700	32,400	100	0.3%	400	1.2%
Private Service Providing	25,800	25,800	25,000	0	0.0%	800	3.2%
---Trade, Transp. & Utilities	8,500	8,600	8,400	-100	-1.2%	100	1.2%
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,300	0	0.0%	100	7.7%
Retail Trade	5,400	5,500	5,400	-100	-1.8%	0	0.0%
---Information	400	400	500	0	0.0%	-100	-20.0%
---Financial Activities	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---Professional & Business	2,800	2,800	2,400	0	0.0%	400	16.7%
---Educational & Health	6,200	6,100	5,900	100	1.6%	300	5.1%
---Leisure & Hospitality	5,000	5,000	4,900	0	0.0%	100	2.0%
---Other Services	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	7,000	6,900	7,400	100	1.5%	-400	-5.4%
---Federal Government	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
---State Government	2,300	2,200	2,400	100	4.6%	-100	-4.2%
State Govt Educ Svcs	600	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Govt excluding Educ Svcs	1,700	1,700	1,800	0	0.0%	-100	-5.6%
---Local Government	4,500	4,500	4,800	0	0.0%	-300	-6.3%
Local Govt Educ Svcs	2,700	2,700	2,800	0	0.0%	-100	-3.6%
Local Govt excluding Educ Svcs	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.0%	-100	-5.3%
---Total State & Local Government	6,800	6,700	7,200	100	1.5%	-400	-5.6%

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Employment Characteristics of Families in 2010

(Excerpted from the Bureau of Labor Statistics report released March 2010)

Introduction

In 2010, 12.4 percent of families included an unemployed person, up from 12.0 percent in 2009, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported recently. The proportion of families with an unemployed member in 2010 was at its highest level since the data series began in 1994. Of the nation's 78.2 million families, 80.0 percent had at least one employed member in 2010, down from 80.4 percent in 2009. These data on employment, unemployment, and family relationships are collected as part of the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly sample survey of approximately 60,000 households.

Families and unemployment

The number of families with at least one unemployed member edged up to 9.7 million in 2010. The proportion of families with an unemployed member was 12.4 percent in 2010, up from 12.0 percent in 2009 and nearly double the 6.3 percent in 2007. (The most recent recession began in December 2007 and ended in June 2009 according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.) In 2010, black and Hispanic families remained more likely to have an unemployed member (19.2 and 17.4 percent, respectively) than white and Asian families (11.3 percent each).

Families and Employment

The share of families with an employed member fell from 80.4 percent in 2009 to 80.0 percent in 2010. In 2007, 82.6 percent of families had an employed member. The likelihood of having an employed family member declined from 2009 to 2010 for white and Asian families to 80.3 and 87.3 percent, respectively, and edged lower for black families to 74.8 percent. There was little change in the likelihood of employment among Hispanic families (84.2 percent).

In 2010, families maintained by women with no spouse present remained less likely to have an employed member (71.9 percent) than married-couple families (82.1 percent) or families maintained by men with no spouse present (79.3 percent). For all three family types, the likelihood of having an employed member has fallen since 2007.

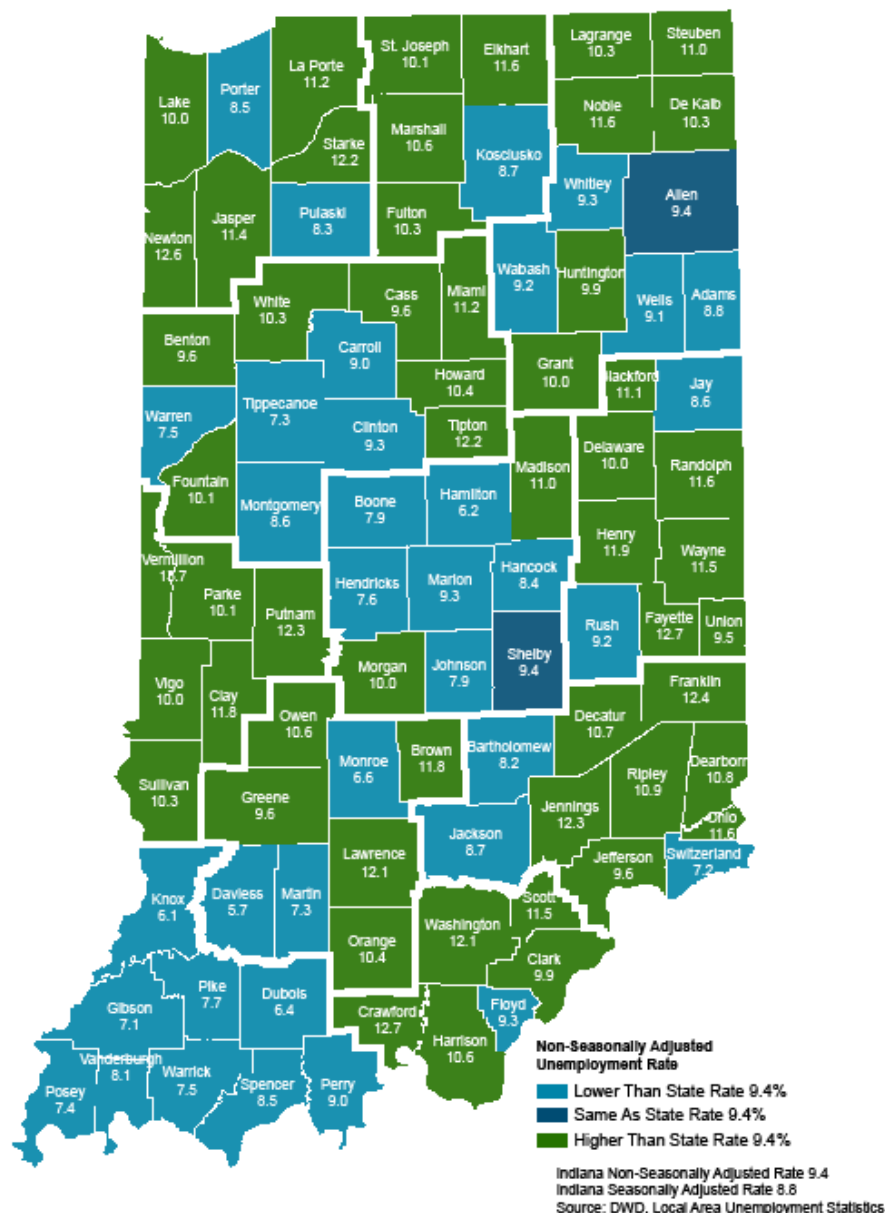
Both the husband and wife were employed in 47.8 percent of married-couple families in 2010, compared with 48.5 percent in 2009. The husband was the only worker in 19.7 percent of married-couple families in 2010, and the wife was the only worker in 8.6 percent. Both measures were little changed over the year.

Families with Children

Forty-four percent of all families included children (sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children) under age 18. Among the 34.5 million families with children, 87.4 percent had an employed parent in 2010, down from 87.8 percent in 2009. The 2010 proportion is the lowest since the data series began in 1994. The mother was employed in 67.0 percent of families maintained by women with no spouse present in 2010, down from 67.8 percent in 2009. The father was employed in 75.8 percent of families maintained by men with no spouse present in 2010, little changed over the year. Among married-couple families with children, 95.7 percent had an employed parent in 2010, unchanged from the prior year. The share of married-couple families where both parents worked fell to 58.1 percent in 2010 from 58.9 percent in 2009.

For a page linking to the table of contents of the full report or individual parts of it visit the BLS website: <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/famee.toc.htm>

County Unemployment Rate February 2011



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